ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A device or chuck for fixing thin and/or flexible				
substrates allows a uniform and all-over sucking-up				
of the substrates without any disadvantageous				
warping or bending. The chuck has notches and holes				
communicating with a plurality of microgrooves				
arranged on the bearing surface. If a vacuum device				
sucks off air through the bores and the notches, a				
vacuum extends in the microgrooves so that a				
substrate located on the bearing surface is sucked				
up.				